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Applicant: Hanada et al.

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PRODUCTION METHOD AND BELT TREAD ASSEMBLY TRANSFER APPARATUS

USED FOR THE SAME

Art Unit: 1791

Examiner: Knable, Geoffrey L.

AMENDMENT B

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the final Office Action mailed April 24, 2009, and pursuant to the Request for Continued Examination filed concurrently herewith, please amend the Application as follows: